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The Dawn of Blessings

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اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ عَلَيْنَا حِكْمَتَكَ وَانْشُرْ
عَلَيْنَا رَحْمَتَكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ

Translation

O Allah *عَزَّوَجَلَّ*! Open the door of knowledge and wisdom for us, and have mercy on us! O the One Who is the Most Honourable and Glorious!

(Al-Mustatraf, vol. 1, pp. 40)

Note: Recite Salat-‘Alan-Nabi ﷺ once before and after the Du'a.

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Excellence of Salat-‘Alan-Nabi ﷺ

The Prophet of mankind, the Peace of our heart and mind, the most Generous and Kind ﷺ said, ‘Allah عزَّوجلَّ sends one hundred mercies on the one who recites Salat ten times on me.’ (Al-Mu’jam-ul-Awsat lit-Tabarani, vol. 5, pp. 252, Hadees 7235)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

As soon as the month of Rabi’-un-Noor comes, springtime prevails everywhere. The devotees of the Holy Prophet become excited and delighted. It seems as if every true Muslim – whether young or old – expresses this hearty feeling:

*Nisar tayri chahal pahal per hazar Eidayn Rabi’-ul-Awwal
Siwaye Iblees kay jahan mayn sabhi to khushiyan mana rahay hayn*

*Cheerfulness of Rabi’-ul-Awwal exceeds that of thousands of Eids
Everyone is rejoicing in the world except Satan, the cursed*

When the darkness of disbelief and idolatry was prevalent in the world, a Noor gleamed in the sacred house of Sayyidatuna Aaminah رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهَا in Makka-tul-Mukarramah that brightened the entire universe. The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ for whom the troubled humanity was anxiously waiting dawned as Mercy for all the worlds.

Mubarak ho kay Khatm-ul-Mursaleen tashreef lay aaye

Janab-e-Rahmat-ul-lil- 'Aalameen tashreef lay aaye

Congratulations! It is the advent of the Last Prophet

Congratulations! It is the advent of the Mercy for all

The dawn of blessings

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ came into the world on the 12th of Rabi'-un-Noor at the time of dawn and transformed the dark night of miseries, difficulties, troubles and tribulations into the bright and soothing morning of happiness.

Musalmano Subh-e-Baharan mubarak

Woh barsaatay anwaar Sarkar صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ aaye

Congratulations on the advent of the blessed morning

Our Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) has come showering the Noor

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 479)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Miracles

As soon as Allah's Noor (صَلَّى اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم) dawned on the earth on 12th Rabi'-un-Noor, the dark clouds of oppression and disbelief purged, the palace of Kisra, which belonged to the Iranian king, was struck by an earthquake in which fourteen of its spikes fell off, the flame which had been continuously blazing for one thousand years in Iran extinguished, the River 'Sava' became dry, the Ka'bah began to sway and idols fell on their heads.

Tayri aamad thi kay Baytullah mujray ko jhuka

Tayri haybat thi kay her but thar thara ker gir gaya

*Upon your advent, the Ka'bah swayed
The idols fell tremblingly being afraid*

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish, pp. 41)

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

Beyond doubt, the Holy Prophet صَلَّی اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم was sent as a mercy and indeed, the day when Allah's mercy descends is a day of rejoicing. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has declared in the Holy Quran, part 11, Surah Yunus, verse 58:

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللّٰهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ

فَبِذٰلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوْا ۖ هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِّمَّا يَجْمَعُوْنَ ﴿٥٨﴾

Please declare, 'Only Allah's grace and only His mercy. And on it let them rejoice. That is better than all their wealth.'

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 11, Surah Yunus, verse 58)

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ! The Quran is itself ordering us to rejoice over Allah's mercy, and Allah's greatest mercy is embodied in the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ as clearly mentioned in the Holy Quran, part 17, Surah Al-Anbiya, verse 107:

وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

And We have not sent you, but as a Mercy for all the worlds.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Part 17, Al-Anbiya, verse 107)

The night superior to Shab-e-Qadr

Sayyiduna Shaykh 'Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْقَوِي said, 'Indeed, the night of the birth of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ is superior to even Shab-e-Qadr, which is one of the nights bestowed to the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. In fact, the night whose greatness lies in the advent of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ is more sacred than the night whose greatness lies in the advent of the angels.

(Masabata bis-Sunnah, pp. 100)

Eid of Eids

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ! The 12th of Rabi'-un-Noor is the Eid of all the Eids for Muslims. Indeed, if the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم had not come into this world, there would have been no Eid and no Shab-e-Bara'at. In fact, all the glory and greatness of the world as well as the Hereafter is by virtue of the blessed arrival of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّم.

*Woh jo na thay to kuch na tha woh jo na haun to kuch na ho
Jan hayn woh jahan ki, jan hay to jahan hay*

*Without him was nothing – without him is nothing
He is the kernel, without a soul there is no being*

(Hadaiq-e-Bakhshish, pp. 126)

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلٰی مُحَمَّد

Abu Lahab and Milad

After the death of Abu Lahab, some of his family members dreamed him in trouble. They asked how he was treated after death. He replied, 'I did not receive any goodness after leaving you.' Then indicating towards the hole at underside of his thumb, he said, 'Except this as I am fed with water from this because I freed my slave girl, Suwaybah.' (*Musannaf 'Abdur Razzaq, vol. 9, pp. 9, Hadees 16661*; *'Umda-tul-Qaari, vol. 14, pp. 44, Hadees 5101*)

Shaykh ‘Allamah Badruddin ‘Ayni عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ الْقَوِي has stated, ‘That indication means that he is given some water.’

(‘Umda-tul-Qaari, vol. 14, pp. 44, Hadees 5101)

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Muslims and Milad

Commenting on the foregoing narration, Sayyiduna Shaykh ‘Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ الْقَوِي has stated, ‘In this incident there is credible evidence for those who celebrate the birth of the Noble Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and spend their wealth on this auspicious occasion. Abu Lahab, who was a staunch unbeliever, was benefited due to rejoicing and freeing his slave girl, Suwaybah, upon hearing the news of the blessed birth of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Now imagine how great the reward will be for the Muslim spending his wealth whole-heartedly on this occasion. However, it is necessary to avoid songs and music in Milad gatherings.’

(Madarij-un-Nubuwwah, vol. 2, pp. 19)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Celebrate Milad enthusiastically

Dear Islamic brothers! Mark the blessed birth of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ enthusiastically. Even a staunch disbeliever

like Abu Lahab benefited due to expressing happiness over the birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ then why not we – the Muslims will be blessed. Abu Lahab rejoiced over the birth of a nephew, not that of the Prophet of Allah, still he was benefited. If we celebrate Milad out of love and admiration, how can we be deprived of reward?

Ghar Aaminah kay Sayyid-e-Abrar aa gaya

Khushiyan manao ghamzado Ghamkhuwar aa gaya

*In Aaminah's home, the King of Prophets has come
Rejoice, O the grief-stricken, your comforter has come*

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 474)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

**Holy Prophet ﷺ gets pleased with those who
celebrate his birth**

An Islamic scholar said that he saw the Prophet of mankind, the Peace of our heart and mind, the most Generous and Kind ﷺ in his dream and asked, ‘Ya Rasoolallah! Do you like Muslims celebrating your birth every year?’ The Holy Prophet ﷺ replied, ‘I get pleased with the one who gets pleased with me.’ *(Tazkira-tul-Wa’izeen, pp. 600)*

Flags in the happiness of Milad

Sayyidatuna Aaminah رَضِيَ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهَا said, ‘When the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was born, I saw that three flags were hoisted: One in the east, one in the west and one on the roof of the Ka’bah.’ (*Khasaais-ul-Kubra*, vol. 1, pp. 82)

Ruh-ul-Ameen nay gaara Ka’bay ki chat pay jhanda

Ta ‘Arsh ura pharayra subh-e-shab-e-wiladat

Ruh-ul-Amin hoisted flag onto the roof of the Ka’bah that flew up to the Heaven on the Dawn of Blessings

(*Zauq-e-Na’at*, pp. 67)

Procession with flags

While migrating to Madinah, when the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ reached a place near Madinah, known as Mauda’-e-Ghameem, Buraydah Aslami along with seventy horsemen from the tribe of Bani Sahm chased the caravan with the intention of capturing the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ but he himself got captivated in the love of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and embraced Islam. He said, ‘Ya Rasoolallah! We will welcome you in Madinah with flags.’ Therefore, the horsemen took off their turbans, placed them on the top of their spears and moved to Madinah. (*Wafa-ul-Wafa*, vol. 1, pp. 243)

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The family that used to celebrate Milad

There was a pious person named Ibraheem residing in Madina-tul-Munawwarah. He was a true devotee of the Holy Prophet. He used to earn Halal sustenance and would save half of his earnings¹ for the celebration of the birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. When the month of Rabi'-un-Noor would arrive, he used to celebrate Milad enthusiastically, abiding by the commandments of Shari'ah. He would distribute a lot of food among the people for the Isal-e-Sawab of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and subsidize his savings for righteous cause. His wife was also a great devotee of the Holy Prophet. She would also co-operate with her husband with heart and soul in that righteous deed. After a few years, his wife passed away but he continued the act of celebrating Milad.

One day, Ibraheem called his son and made his will, 'Dear son! I will die tonight; I have 50 dirhams and 19 yards of cloth. Use the cloth for my shroud and spend the money in any righteous deed.' Having said, he recited the article of faith and his soul left his body. The son buried his father according to his will but he was rather confused about spending the money his father left. When he slept that night, he dreamt that the Day of Judgement had occurred and everyone was extremely frightened. The fortunate people were going towards the Heaven,

¹ If only we would also save either 12% or at least 1% of our income for the celebration of the birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and for spending it in the promotion of religion.

whereas the unfortunate ones were being dragged into Hell. He stood shivering with fear as to what his destination would be! Meanwhile, an announcement was made, 'Let this young man enter the Heaven.'

Therefore, he entered the Heaven happily where he wandered fearlessly. After visiting seven Heavens, when he reached the portal of the 8th Heaven, he was told that only those who celebrated the birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ in the world are allowed to enter this Heaven. Upon hearing that, he envisioned that his parents would be there. A voice was then heard, 'Let this young men enter; his parents want to meet him.' Therefore, he went in and saw his mother sitting near the stream of Kawsar. Nearby, there was a throne on which an honourable lady was sitting. There were also some other chairs on which many venerable ladies were sitting. He asked an angel, 'Who are they?' The angel replied, 'The one sitting on the throne is Sayyidatuna Fatimah Zahra and other ladies on the chairs are Khadija-tul-Kubra, 'Aaishah Siddiqah, Sayyidatuna Maryam, Sayyidatuna Aasiyah, Sayyidatuna Saarah, Sayyidatuna Haajirah, Sayyidatuna Raabi'ah and Sayyidatuna Zubaydah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُنَّ.'

He became very happy and resumed walking and saw an even more faith-refreshing scene. He saw a very big throne on which the Holy Prophet ﷺ was seated. Around the throne, there were four chairs upon which the Khulafa-e-Rashideen (the four righteous caliphs رَضِيَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَنْهُمْ) were seated. On the right hand side, there were golden chairs upon which the

Prophets عَلَيْهِمُ الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ were sitting and on the left, the martyrs were seated. The young man saw his father Ibraheem amongst a crowd near the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. Ibraheem hugged his son happily. The son asked, ‘Dear father, how did you attain this status?’ Ibraheem replied, ‘الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I have been blessed with this status because of celebrating the birth of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.’

The following morning, he sold his house and arranged a feast using the money he received from selling his house along with his father’s 50 dirhams. He invited Islamic scholars and pious Muslims and served them. As he was no longer interested in the world, he decided to stay in a Masjid and spent the rest of his 30 years worshipping Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.

After his death, someone saw him in a dream and asked what had happened to him. He replied, ‘With the blessings of celebrating Milad, I have also received the same status which my father got in Paradise.’ (*Tazkira-tul-Wa’izeen*, pp. 557)

Bakhsh day mujh ko Ilahi! Bahr-e-Milad-un-Nabi

Naamah-e-a’maal ‘isyan say mayra bharpoor hay

Almighty, forgive me for Milad’s sake

Though my book of deeds is replete with sins

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 477)

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Reward of celebrating Milad

Shaykh ‘Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْقَوِي has said, ‘Those rejoicing on the night of the birth of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ will enter Jannat-un-Na’eem by virtue of the mercy of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Muslims have always been celebrating the birth of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ by cooking feasts, inviting guest and giving Sadaqah (alms) in abundance. They express their happiness, spend wholeheartedly, hold congregations for the celebration of the birth of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, decorate their houses and Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ showers His blessings on them because of these blessed deeds.’ (*Masabata bis-Sunnah*, pp. 102)

Jews embraced Islam

Sayyiduna ‘Abdul Waahid Bin Isma’eel عَلَيْهِ رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْجَوِيل narrated that a great devotee of the Holy Prophet lived in Egypt. He used to celebrate the birth of the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ with full zeal and zest. A Jewish family lived in his neighbourhood. When the month of Rabi’-un-Noor arrived, the Jewish woman asked her husband, ‘Why does our Muslim neighbour arrange such a big feast during this month?’ Her husband replied, ‘In this month, his Prophet (صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ) was born, therefore he does so to celebrate his Prophet’s birth and Muslims honour this month a lot.’ Upon hearing that, the wife said, ‘It is a nice thing Muslims do by celebrating the birth of their Prophet every year.’

When the Jewish lady went to sleep that night, she dreamt a very graceful and magnificent saint; there was a crowd of people around him. She stepped forward and asked someone about the noble saint. The person replied, 'He is the Last Prophet (ﷺ). He has come to meet and bless your neighbour for celebrating his birth.' The Jewish woman then asked, 'Will he (ﷺ) talk to me?' The person replied, 'Yes.' The woman then called the Holy Prophet ﷺ. The Prophet ﷺ replied, 'Labbayk (here I am).' Impressed by the Holy Prophet's reply, she said, 'I am not a Muslim, and still you replied to me.' The Holy Prophet ﷺ said, 'Allah عزَّوجلَّ has told me that you are going to embrace Islam very soon.' Upon hearing that, she spoke spontaneously, 'No doubt you are Merciful and Courteous Prophet; the one disobeying you will never succeed and the one not believing your lofty eminence will suffer loss.' Then she recited Kalimah Shahadah (article of faith).

When she awoke, she embraced Islam whole heartedly. She planned to spend all her savings in the celebration of the birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ by serving meals to people in the morning. When she got up, she saw that her husband was busy preparing feast. She asked him in astonishment, 'What are you doing?' He replied, 'I am making arrangements for a feast to celebrate your embracing of Islam.' She asked, 'How did you get to know of this?' He replied, 'Like you, I also

beheld the Holy Prophet ﷺ last night in dream and I have also embraced Islam.’ (*Tazkira-tul-Wa’izeen*, pp. 598)

May Allah ﷻ have mercy on them and forgive us without accountability for their sake!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

Aamad-e-Sarkar say zulmat huyi kafoor hay

Kya zameen, kya aasman her samt chaaya Noor hay

His arrival has removed darkness from everywhere

There is light from earth to sky everywhere

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 476)

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dawat-e-Islami and Milad celebration

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ ﷻ, Dawat-e-Islami, a global non-political movement for the propagation of Quran and Sunnah, has a unique way of celebrating Milad. Huge congregations of Milad are held in different countries. In Karachi (Pakistan), probably the biggest Milad Ijtimaa’ of the world is held every year. These are extremely spiritual congregations which have invoked Madani revolution in the lives of thousands of sinners who have now adopted the Sunnah of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Read four Madani marvels in this regard.

1. Cure for sins

A devotee of the Prophet narrated: On the occasion of Eid Milad-un-Nabi (1426 AH), a friend of mine who was extremely fond of the latest fashions and away from Salah, attended the Ijtima'-e-Milad held at Kakri ground, Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi. At the time of greeting Subh-e-Baharan (the dawn of blessings), everyone was reciting Salat and Salam. My friend became impressed, he felt hatred for sins and made a firm intention to offer Salah regularly and grow beard.

اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, abiding by his intentions he has not only started offering Salah regularly but also has grown his beard. He had a bad habit, which is inappropriate to mention, that he rid himself of by virtue of the Ijtima'. In other words, the patient suffering from the lethal disease of sins has found the cure.

*Maang lo maang lo un ka gham maang lo
Chashm-e-rahmat nigah-e-karam maang lo
Ma'siyat ki dawa la-jaram maang lo
Maangnay ka maza aaj ki raat hay*

*Ask for his mercy and blessings in this holy night
Ask for the cure of sins in this holy night*

صَلُّوْا عَلَی الْحَبِیْب صَلَّی اللّٰهُ تَعَالٰی عَلَی مُحَمَّد

2. The dirt of heart removed

The gist of a written statement given by an Islamic brother from North Karachi is presented: During the first week of Rabi'-un-Noor, some devotees of the Prophet were making individual effort and they invited me to attend Ijtimā'-e-Milad being held at Kakri ground, Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi. It was my good fortune that I assured them of my participation in the Ijtimā'. When the night of the 12th arrived, I kept my promise and sat on the bus with all the other Islamic brothers who were also leaving for the Ijtimā'-e-Milad. A devotee of the Holy Prophet had some sweets called 'Cham Cham' which he divided approximately into thirty small pieces and distributed them equally among the brothers. I was really impressed by that affectionate action. We later reached the Ijtimā'-e-Milad.

That was the first time in my life in which I saw such a splendid and spiritual Ijtimā'. The sound of Na'at and Salam was echoing in the atmosphere and people were chanting slogans enthusiastically 'Marhaba Ya Mustafa (صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ)'. I felt as if the spirituality of the Ijtimā' was gradually cleaning the dirt of my heart. اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, I joined the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami forthwith, by the grace of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ, now I wear a green turban and have grown my beard. I am presently rendering my services as the 'Alaqa'ee Nigraan of Dawat-e-Islami in an area for spreading Sunnahs.

‘Ata-e-Habib-e-Khuda Madani Mahaul

Hay fayzan-e-Ghaus-o-Raza Madani Mahaul

Yaqinan muqaddar ka woh hay sikandar

Jisay khayr say mil gaya Madani Mahaul

A favour of Allah ﷺ is Madani environment

Benevolence of Ghaus and Raza is the Madani environment

Verily, fortunate is the one who has joined Madani environment

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 604)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

3. Rain of Noor (light)

On the occasion of Eid Milad-un-Nabi (1417 A.H.), the procession of Dawat-e-Islami (Nazimabad, Karachi) departed after Salat-uz-Zuhr. There were a large number of participants who were rejoicing ardently, chanting different slogans enthusiastically. The procession stopped at many places for presenting call towards righteousness. Everybody listened quietly. After the Bayan (speech) finished, a person approached the Nigran and said: ‘During the Bayan, I saw with my eyes that Noor was being showered on everyone including the child Muballigh (preacher). Sorry! I am not a Muslim; please make me embrace Islam right now.’ The participants chanted slogans more enthusiastically. Seeing the greatness of the Madani

procession and blessings of Dawat-e-Islami, Satan lost his senses. After embracing Islam, the convert went to his home to invite his family members towards Islam. Due to his cordial spiritual invitation, his wife, three children and his father, all embraced Islam.

Eid Milad-un-Nabi hay dil bara masroor hay

Han magar Shaytan ma' rufqa bara ranjoor hay

On Eid Milad-un-Nabi everyone is in high spirit

But Satan with his accomplices is in low spirit

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

4. One can behold the Prophet even today

A devotee of the Holy Prophet stated: We attended (probably the biggest) Ijtimā'-e-Milad held by Dawat-e-Islami at Kakri ground, Bab-ul-Madinah, Karachi. During conversation, an Islamic brother said, 'The Ijtimā'-e-Milad of Dawat-e-Islami used to be very inspiring but it's not so impressive now.' Upon hearing that, another Islamic brother said, 'My friend! You are wrong! The Ijtimā' is still the same, how can the Prophet's Zikr change, our hearts and mentality have changed! Even today, instead of wandering in the ugly valleys of criticism, if we listen to Na'at imagining being showered with the bounties of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, we will reap its blessings,

إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. The first Islamic brother's baseless objection could make a participant lose his interest in the Ijtima' and go home but the second Islamic brother's reply was very appropriate. Anyway, plucking up the courage, I sat in between the devotees of the Holy Prophet and began to listen to Na'ats fondly.

The breaking of dawn approached and all the Islamic brothers stood up to welcome the dawn of blessings. The participants were in a state of ecstasy. The calls Marhaba (welcome) could be heard from every direction. Salat and Salam were being recited upon the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. There were tears in the eyes of the devotees of the Prophet. People were weeping everywhere in the Ijtima'. I was also in an ecstatic state. With my sinful eyes, I saw droplets falling on the Ijtima'. It was as if the Ijtima' was being showered with mercy. I closed my eyes and began to recite Salat and Salam. Suddenly, the eyes of my heart opened and, truly speaking, I saw the Beloved whose Milad we were celebrating; I beheld the Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of Ummah صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ, my heart was blessed with spiritual tranquillity. Really, the Islamic brother was right when he said that the Ijtima'-e-Milad held by Dawat-e-Islami is always touching but these are our hearts that have changed. If we remain attentive, then even today, one can behold the Beloved and Blessed Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

*Koi aaya pa kay chala gaya, koi 'umar bhar bhi na pa saka
Yeh baray karam kay hayn fayslay, yeh baray naseeb ki baat hay*

*Someone came and got instantly, whereas someone could
never get – these are heavenly decisions which are predestined*

12 Madani pearls about celebrating Milad

1. Decorate your homes, Masajid, shops and vehicles with buntings for rejoicing the birth of the Prophet of Rahmah, the Intercessor of Ummah ﷺ. Illuminate your home with at least 12 bulbs. Arrange an Ijtima'-e-Zikr-o-Na'at on the 12th night, and at the time of dawn, welcome the dawn of blessings with tearful eyes, raising your flags in hands invoking Salat and Salam. If possible, observe fast on the 12th of Rabi'-un-Noor because our Holy Prophet ﷺ would celebrate his birthday by observing fast on Mondays.

Sayyiduna Qatadah رضى الله تعالى عنه said that the Holy Prophet ﷺ was asked as to why he fasted on Mondays. The Holy Prophet ﷺ replied, 'I was born on this day and the revelation descended upon me on the same day.' (*Sahih Muslim, pp. 591, Hadees 198*)

The commentator of *Sahih Bukhari*, Sayyiduna Imam Qastalani رحمه الله تعالى عليه has said, 'One of the proven boon of celebrating Milad of the Holy Prophet ﷺ is

that peace and tranquillity prevails throughout the year and every wish is fulfilled sooner. May Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ have mercy on the one who marks the nights of the Milad month like Eid.’ (*Al-Mawahib-ul-Ladunniyyah, vol. 1, pp. 148*)

2. Nowadays, Tawaf-doing dolls are displayed in the models of the Holy Ka’bah at some places. This is a sin. In the pre-Islamic era of ignorance, there were 360 idols in the Holy Ka’bah. The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ removed all the idols from Ka’bah after conquering Makkah. Therefore, even models containing idols (dolls) should not be displayed. Plastic flowers can be placed instead.

(It is permissible to display such a portrait in home, Masjid etc. in which the face of the people doing Tawaf-e-Ka’bah is not clearly visible. However, it is impermissible to display such a portrait in which the faces are clearly visible when looked at whilst standing with portrait being placed on the ground).

3. It is not permissible to install decorated gates comprising of the pictures/statues of peacocks etc. Read the following two Ahadees in the condemnation of pictures of living beings:
 - i. The angels (of mercy) do not enter the home in which there is a picture or a dog.

(*Sahih Bukhari, vol. 2, pp. 409, Hadees 3322*)

- ii. Whoever paints the picture (of a living being) will be tormented by Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ as long as he does not put soul in that picture, and he will never be able to put soul into that. (*Sahih Bukhari, vol. 2, pp. 51, Hadees 42*)
4. Some people play music in the name of celebrating the Milad of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ. By Shari'ah, it is a sin to do so. Following are two Ahadees of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in this regard:
 - i. The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'I have been ordered to break the drum and the flute.'
(*Firdaus-ul-Akhbar, vol. 1, pp. 483, Hadees 1612*)
 - ii. Sayyiduna Dahaak رَحِمَهُ اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ has reported: Music spoils the heart and displeases Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ.
(*Tafsirat-e-Ahmadiyyah, pp. 603*)
5. You can play Na'at cassettes but take care at the time of Azan and Salah. Further, make sure that the sound of Na'at does not disturb the sick or those who are asleep or doing worship. (Don't play cassettes of Na'ats in the voice of woman).
6. It is not permissible to decorate the roads or streets etc. or hoist the flags in such a way that causes any kind of worry or distress to passersby or to those who are driving.

7. Women coming out of their homes without observing Pardah (veil) to watch illuminations are committing a shameless and Haraam act. Further, doing so even whilst observing Pardah and the consequent intermingling of men and women is also extremely shocking. Moreover, it is also not permissible to use electricity illegally. Therefore, contact the electricity department and use electricity legally by paying its bill.
8. In the Milad procession, try to remain in the state of Wudu as long as possible. Offer Salah with Jama'at. The devotees of the Prophet are not supposed to miss Jama'at.
9. Avoid bringing horse-carts and camel-carts etc. in the procession as their urine or dung may render the clothes of devotees impure.
10. During the procession, distribute as many booklets, pamphlets and VCDs/DVDs of Sunnah-inspiring speeches released by Maktaba-tul-Madinah, as you can. Further, for serving fruits/eats etc. give in the hands of the people instead of throwing these. Fruits and other things are disrespected if these are dropped on the ground and crushed under feet.
11. Chanting inflammatory slogans can result in some unpleasant incident and can sabotage the prestigious Milad procession. Your own safety lies in remaining calm and peaceful.

12. Neither get emotional nor try to retaliate in case some stone pelting is encountered as it will cause disturbance in the procession, which is the desire of the enemy.

Ghunchay chatkhay phool mahkay her taraf aayi bahaar

Ho gayi Subh-e-Baharan Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 465)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Attar's letter about celebrating Milad

(It is a Madani request that this letter should be read out afresh every year as a reminder in the last weekly Ijtimā' of Safar-ul-Muzaffar everywhere. Islamic brothers and sisters can make appropriate amendments).

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Sag-e-Madinah Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri Razavi رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ says Salam from the core of his heart to all the devotees of the Holy Prophet on the blissful festival of Milad celebration.

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ عَلَى كُلِّ حَالٍ

Tum bhi ker kay un ka charcha apnay dil chamkao

Aoonchay mayn aooncha Nabi ka jhanda ghar ghar mayn lahrao

Brighten your heart praising the most Beloved Prophet

And wave the Prophet's flag at every home

1. On the first night of Rabi'-un-Noor, make this announcement three times in all the Masajid:

'Congratulations to all Islamic brothers and sisters!

The moon of Rabi'-un-Noor has been sighted.'

Rabi'-un-Noor ummidaun ki dunya sath lay aaya

Du'aon ki qabuliyyat ko hathaun hath lay aaya

The season of hopefulness has come in Rabi'-un-Noor

All the prayers will be answered very soon

2. Men's shaving their beard or trimming it less than a fist-length – both acts are Haraam. For Islamic sisters not to observe Shar'i veiling is a Haraam act. By virtue of auspicious occasion of Rabi'-un-Noor, Islamic brothers are requested to make intention for bearing fistful beard permanently and Islamic sisters are requested to make the intention of observing Shar'i Pardah, preferably wearing a Madani Burqa'. (Man's shaving his beard or trimming it less than a fist-length and woman's non-observance of

Shar'i veiling is Haraam. It is Wajib to repent of these sins instantly and give them up).

Jhuk gaya Ka'bah sabhi but munh kay bal aundhay giray

Dab-dabah aamad ka tha, أَهْلًا وَ سَهْلًا مَرَحَبًا

The Ka'bah tilted, all the idols fell down on thy arrival,

Marhaba! Marhaba!

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 257)

3. A great Madani technique to acquire steadfastness in practising Sunnah and other good deeds is that all devotees (Islamic brothers & Islamic sisters) of the Holy Prophet should make intention to execute Fikr-e-Madinah daily, filling in the booklets of Madani In'amaat and should submit the booklet monthly. Invoke *إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ* raising your hand.

Badliyan rahmat ki cha`een boondiyan rahmat ki aa`een

Ab muradayn dil ki pa`een aamad-e-Shah-e-Arab hay

The clouds and drizzle of blessing are at onset

Wishes will be fulfilled now, Marhaba Marhaba

(Qabalah-e-Bakhshish, pp. 184)

4. All the devotees of the Prophet including Nigran and Zimmahdar should travel with a Madani Qafilah for at

least three days particularly in this blessed month. Islamic sisters should deliver Dars from *Faizan-e-Sunnat* for at least thirty days in their homes (only to the ladies and Maharim) and then make the intention to continue it after Rabi'-un-Noor as well.

Lootnay rahmatayn Qafilay mayn chalo

Seekhnay Sunnatayn Qafilay mayn chalo

*For receiving blessings, travel with the Qafilah
For learning the Sunnah, travel with the Qafilah*

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 611)

5. Display 12 flags or at least one flag in your Masjid, home, shop, workplace etc. since moon sighting for the whole month. Buy some flags and display them on buses, wagons, trucks, trolleys, taxis, rickshaws, horse carriages etc. Hoist flags on your cycle, scooter and car. **إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ**, the whole city will blossom with smiling waving green flags. Usually big pictures of living beings or nasty couplets are printed on the back of big trucks.

It is my wish that the slogan 'I love Dawat-e-Islami' be printed in bold lettering at the back side of trucks, buses, wagons, rickshaws, taxis and cars etc. Make efforts in this regard by meeting and persuading the transporters and bus/truck owners and win my hearty supplications.

Caution

If the flag bears lettering or image of Na'layn (image of the blessed shoe-sole of the Holy Prophet (ﷺ), make sure that the flag neither tears nor falls on the ground. Further, as soon as the month of Rabi'-un-Noor ends, remove the flags immediately. If there is risk of disrespect, use simple green flags i.e. without that sacred image/lettering.

(Sag-e-Madinah displays only simple green flags at his home named Bayt-ul-Fana [the dying home]).

Nabi ka jhanda lay ker niklo dunya mayn cha jao

Nabi ka jhanda aman ka jhanda ghar ghar mayn lahrao

*Lead the whole world bearing the Prophet's flag
It's peace flag; so at every home wave this great flag*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

6. Illuminate your home with 12 lighting strings or at least 12 bulbs; further, install decorative lightings in your area and Masjid (but using electricity illegally for this purpose is Haraam, therefore use electricity legally contacting the electric company). Decorate your whole area with green flags, buntings and bright lights. Display big flags (12 metres long or as suited) on the roof of your home and Masjid and on main squares etc. such that they may not

hinder pedestrians/traffic in anyway and also make sure that public rights are not violated. Don't hoist flags in the middle of the road as this will obstruct the traffic. Do not decorate streets etc. in a way which result in narrowing of passage resulting in violation of public rights.

Aik mashriq, aik maghrib, aik baam-e-Ka'bah per

Nasb parcham ho gaya, أَهْلًا وَسَهْلًا مَرَحَبًا

Flags were hoisted one in the East, one in the West and one on the roof of the Ka'bah to welcome the advent of the Beloved Prophet

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 453)

7. Every Islamic brother should distribute as many booklets or different pamphlets published by Maktaba-tul-Madinah as possible or at least amounting to 12 PKR among the participants of Milad procession; Islamic sisters should also get the booklets distributed.

Similarly, make your contribution to call towards righteousness by keeping booklets at your shops etc. for free distribution throughout the year. Also make efforts for such distribution on occasions of weddings, funerals etc. and for conveying Sawab to the deceased. Also persuade other Muslims to do the same.

Baant ker Madani rasaail Deen ko phaylaaiye

Ker kay razi Haq ko haqdar-e-jina ban jaaiye

Spread Sunnah by distributing Madani booklets

Be deserving of Heaven by pleasing Allah

8. If possible, buy 12 booklets titled ‘*The Dawn of Blessings*’ and 112 pamphlets or at least 12 pamphlets titled ‘12 Madani pearls for celebrating the Milad of the Holy Prophet ﷺ’ from Maktaba-tul-Madinah and gift them especially to the leaders of the organizations that arrange Milad gatherings. During the month of Rabi’-un-Noor, donate 1200 PKR or, if not possible, 112 PKR or at least 12 PKR to some Sunni scholar (only adults should do so). You may also donate this money to Imam, Muazzin or servant of your Masjid; rather make intention to continue this good service on monthly basis.

It is better to donate the money on Friday because the reward of every good deed increases by 70 times on Friday. *اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ*! The cassettes of Bayanaat (Sunnah-inspiring speeches) released by Maktaba-tul-Madinah have played a vital role in reforming lives of several people. Even some of you may also have joined Dawat-e-Islami by virtue of listening to some Bayan cassette. Distributing these cassettes and VCDs/DVDs to people is a great service to Islam and is a means of earning enormous reward. Therefore, if

possible, sell out 12 cassettes or VCDs/DVDs of Sunnah-inspiring speeches every week or at least every month. Well-off Islamic brothers may do this service for free. By virtue of festivity of Milad, distribute as many Bayan cassettes and VCDs/DVDs as you can and thus take part in propagation of Sunnah.

On the occasion of weddings, gift a booklet or a Bayan cassette/VCD/DVD along with the wedding card. Discard the tradition of Eid cards and instil the tradition of distribution of booklets etc. in its place so that the money being spent can also help propagation of Sunnah. People send me expensive Eid cards, which causes my heart melancholic instead of happy. Would that people spend their hard-earned money on the promotion of religion instead of Eid cards! Further, the glittering powder on these cards also causes severe nuisance.

Un kay dar pay palnay wala apna aap jawab

Koi Ghareeb Nawaz to koi Daata lagta hay

Those blessed by the Prophet are matchless

Someone becomes Ghareeb Nawaz and someone Daata

9. In big cities, every 'Alaqa' ee [regional] Nigran should hold glorious Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima'at at different Masajid for the first 12 days of Rabi'-un-Noor (responsible Islamic sisters should hold Ijtima' at homes). If possible, everyone

should attend the Ijtima' whilst bearing green flags in Rabi'-un-Noor.

*Lab par Na'at-e-Rasool-e-Akram hathaun mayn parcham
Diwanah Sarkar ka kitna piyara lagta hay*

*The devotee of the Prophet reciting Na'ats and holding
flags looks so beautiful*

10. Take bath in the evening of the 11th or on the 12th night of Rabi'-un-Noor. If possible, buy everything new, for example, white clothes, turban, bandana, cap, shawl, Miswak, handkerchief, slippers, rosary, 'Itr (perfume), wristwatch, pen, Qafilah pad etc. in order to solemnize this Eid of Eids. (Islamic sisters should also buy new things according to their needs).

*Aayi nayi hukumat sikkah naya chalay ga
'Aalam nay rang badla subh-e-shab-e-wiladat*

*New currency will be launched as a new regime has evolved
With the onset of dawn of blessings new world order has evolved
(Zauq-e-Na'at, pp. 67)*

11. Spend the 12th night in Ijtima'-e-Zikr-o-Na'at and welcome the 'the dawn of blessings' with tearful eyes at the time of breaking of dawn, raising your flags and reciting Salat and

Salam. After Salat-ul-Fajr, say Salam and congratulate each other warmly on this grand occasion of Eid and continue to do so for the rest of the day.

Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi to Eid ki bhi Eid hay

Bil-yaqeen hay Eid-e-Eidaan Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi

Beyond all doubt, Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi is the Eid of all the Eids

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 465)

12. Our Holy Prophet ﷺ would celebrate his birth by fasting on Mondays. Keeping this in mind, you should also observe fast on 12th Rabi'-un-Noor and participate in the Madani procession carrying green flags. Remain in the state of Wudu as long as possible. Recite Na'ats, Salat and Salam and walk grandly with your gaze lowered. Do not give the chance to critics by committing any cheap act.

Rabi'-ul-Awwal Ahl-e-Sunnat tujh per kyun na haun qurban

Kay tayri Barhween tareekh woh Jan-e-Qamar aaya

Rabi'-ul-Awwal, why should the Ahl-e-Sunnat not sacrifice their lives for thy sanctity, as the most Beloved Prophet came on thy 12th day!

(Qabalah-e-Bakhshish, pp. 37)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Intentions about celebrating Milad

The first Hadees cited in *Sahih Bukhari* is: **إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّاتِ** meaning 'Actions are valued according to the intentions.'

(*Sahih Bukhari, vol. 1, pp. 5*)

Remember! Whenever you perform any righteous deed, you must have the intention of gaining reward for it from Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, otherwise, you will not gain any reward. Likewise, it is necessary to have the intention of gaining reward while celebrating Milad. When making the intention of gaining reward, the act must be in conformity with Shari'ah and must be performed with sincerity. If someone celebrated Milad for showing off, using electricity illegally, forcing people to donate money, hurting other Muslims without Shar'i exemption, violating public rights, playing Na'ats etc. on the loudspeaker despite knowing that it will cause distress to the ill, suckling babies or those who are asleep, then the intention of gaining reward will go invalid; instead the person doing so is a sinner. The more righteous intentions you make, the more reward you will gain. Hence eighteen intentions are being presented but these are not all; a scholar of intentions can make even more intentions for increasing Sawab. So make these intentions as per your condition:

18 Intentions for celebrating Milad

1. I will publicise the biggest blessing of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** thereby acting upon the Quranic commandment:

وَأَمَّا بِنِعْمَةِ رَبِّكَ فَحَدِّثْ

And publicise well the Bounty of your Lord.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (Translation of Quran)] (Surah Ad-Duha, verse 11)

2. I will make Milad illuminations to gain the pleasure of Allah ﷺ.
3. I will wave flags imitating the act of Sayyiduna Jibra'eel عَلَيْهِ الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ who placed 3 flags on the day the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was born.
4. I will wave green flags because the Grand Dome of the Prophet's Masjid is green.
5. I will show the eminence of the Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ to the non-Muslims by celebrating Milad (upon seeing illuminations and green flags, the non-Muslims will certainly be inspired and would think that the Muslims love their Prophet a lot).
6. I will annoy Satan by celebrating Milad enthusiastically.
7. In addition to outward decorations, I will decorate my inner self as well by repenting of sins.
8. I will attend the Ijtima'-e-Milad on the 12th night, and

9. I will participate in the procession on the 12th of Rabi'-un-Noor and will invoke Zikr of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ and His Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.
10. I will behold Islamic scholars, and
11. the pious people, and
12. I will gain blessings from the company of the devotees of the Prophet.
13. I will wear a turban in the procession, and
14. I will remain in the state of Wudu as long as possible, and
15. I will perform my Salah with Jama'at in Masjid during the procession.
16. As per my capacity, I will distribute booklets, pamphlets and cassettes or VCDs/DVDs of Sunnah-inspiring Bayanaat etc. published by Maktaba-tul-Madinah during the Ijtimā'-e-Milad and procession.
17. Making individual efforts, I will persuade 12 brothers to travel with the Madani Qafilah.
18. I will keep reciting Salat, Salam and Na'at as far as possible during the procession observing Qufl-e-Madinah of the tongue and the eyes.

O Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! Enable us to solemnize the birth of Your Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ whole-heartedly with good intentions and grant us entry into Heaven without holding accountable by virtue of celebrating the blessed birthday of Your Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ.

Bakhsh day ham ko Ilahi! Bahr-e-Milad-un-Nabi

Naamah-e-a'maal 'isyan say mayra bharpoor hay

*O Almighty, forgive me for Milad's sake
Though my book of deeds is repleted with sins!*

(Wasail-e-Bakhshish, pp. 477)

أَمِينَ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

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By the grace of Allah ﷻ, Sunnahs are abundantly learnt and taught in the Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami, a global and non-political movement for the preaching of Quran and Sunnah. It is a Madani request that you spend the whole night in the weekly Sunnah-Inspiring Ijtima', taking place after Salat-ul-Maghrib every Thursday in your city, for the pleasure of Allah ﷻ with good intentions. With the intention of gaining reward, make it a part of your routine to travel in Sunnah-Inspiring Madani Qafilahs with the devotees of Rasul, to fill out the Madani In'amat booklet every day practicing Fikr-e-Madinah and to submit it to the relevant responsible Islamic brother of your locality within the first ten days of every Islamic month. Through the blessings of this, you will develop a mindset and a yearning to adopt Sunnahs, to have hatred for sins and to protect your faith, **إِنَّمَا نَعْلَمُ بِكَ**.

Every Islamic brother should develop the Madani mindset that **'I must strive to reform myself and people of the entire world, إِنَّمَا نَعْلَمُ بِكَ**.

In order to reform ourselves, we must act upon Madani In'amat and to strive to reform people of the entire world we must travel with Madani Qafilahs, **إِنَّمَا نَعْلَمُ بِكَ**.



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